

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER
<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		<b>OKAMOTO13</b>
		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)
		<b>10/535257</b>
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE	PRIORITY CLAIMED
<b>PCT/JP03/015216</b>	<b>November 28, 2003</b>	<b>November 29, 2002</b>
TITLE OF INVENTION		
<b>AQUARIUM-CLEANING DEVICE UTILIZING FORMED CHARCOAL</b>		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US		
<b>Hiroyuki OKAMOTO et al.</b>		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
<p>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</p> <p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</p> <p>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f) ) as soon as the application is in order for such purpose and the applicable requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371(c) have been complied with.</p> <p>4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Art 31).</p> <p>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))</p> <p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).</p> <p>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</p> <p>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</p> <p>6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).</p> <p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</p> <p>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))</p> <p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</p> <p>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</p> <p>d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</p> <p>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</p> <p>9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</p> <p>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</p>		
Items 11. to 16. below concern document(s) or information included:		
<p>11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</p> <p>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An Assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</p> <p>13. <input type="checkbox"/> A <b>FIRST</b> preliminary amendment.</p> <p>14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.</p> <p>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</p> <p>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.</p> <p>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable sequence form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13/er.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825.</p> <p>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</p> <p>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4)</p> <p>20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Courtesy copy of the first page of the International Publication (WO 2004/050565 A1).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Formal drawings, 7 sheets, Figures 1-7.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Courtesy Copy of the International Search Report.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The application is (or will be) assigned to: Asahi Breweries, Ltd. whose address is 7-1, Kyobashi 3-chome, Chuo-ku, Tokyo 104-0031, Japan.</p>		

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21. The following fees are submitted:		<b>CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY</b>		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a) <b>BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a))</b> .....\$300.00 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b) <b>SEARCH FEE (37 CFR 1.492(b))</b> <input type="checkbox"/> US was International Searching Authority.....\$100.00 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other ISR provided to USPTO.....\$400.00 <input type="checkbox"/> All other situations.....\$500.00 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c) <b>EXAMINATION FEE (37 CFR 1.492 (c))</b> <input type="checkbox"/> IPEA/US gave wholly favorable IPER.....\$100.00 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All other situations.....\$200.00		\$ 900.00		
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS :</b>				
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than [ ] 20 [ ] 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(h)).		\$		
TOTAL SHEETS	EXTRA SHEETS	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number)	RATE (1.492(g))	
14 - 100	/50		X \$250.00	
CLAIMS		Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate (1.492 (d-f))
Total Claims		4- 20 =		X \$ 50.00
Independent Claims		2- 3 =		X \$200.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (if applicable)				+ \$360.00
		<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>		\$900.00
Reduction of $\frac{1}{2}$ for filing by small entity, if applicable. Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.		<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>		\$900.00
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than [ ] 20 [ ] 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(i)).		<b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>		\$900.00
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property +		<b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b>		\$900.00
		Amount to be: refunded charged		\$
<b>Payment Method (check one only)</b>				
a. [ ] A check in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees is enclosed. b. [X] Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038), authorizing payment in the amount of \$900.00, is attached. c. [ ] Please charge my Deposit Account No. 02-4035 in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.				
<b>Handling of Fee Deficiencies (check one only)</b>				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.				
<input type="checkbox"/> If a deficiency exists in the basic national fee set by 37 CFR 1.492(a), please charge it to Deposit Account 02-4035. At this time, no authorization is given to charge any other fees.				
<b>NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.</b>				
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